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Basin Plan Amendment and Incidental Runoff

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RE: Incidental Runoff

Dear Catherine Kuhlman,

I am asking that you slow down and remove the "incidental runoff/low threat discharge" from the Basin Plan Amendment at this time.

I am concerned with many scientific studies showing that endocrine disruptors are present in the groundwater. Any chemicals entering the groundwater are difficult to treat and they can accumulate. We do not have the ability or the resources to clean up groundwater after we pollute it.

There should not be exceptions for wastewater discharge in the summer. With the climate showing signs of creating a drought situation, the creeks have been running extremely low in the summer.

The urban wastewater irrigation program needs to be monitored. Just as residents are not allowed to have runoff into the streets with clean water, wastewater needs to be regulated and not allowed to runoff.

Wastewater should continue to be monitored for pharmaceuticals and other dangerous chemicals. With a huge aging population taking medications including chemotherapy at home, many of these chemicals are entering the wastewater. Chemicals bond with each other in water. We don't fully understand all the long term effects on the environment from chemical bonding.

Thank you,

Carol Vellutini

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